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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The imports during July were valued at £3,242,267, which shows an increase of £70,969, as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the seven months there was a decrease of £1,206,549, or nearly 6 per cent., as compared with last year. The direct oversea imports during July amounted to £1,958,340, as compared with £1,917,710 in 1907; the total for the seven months was £11,212,795, a decrease of £77,995 over the corresponding figures for 1907. There were decreases in almost all the principal articles; boots and shoes, rice, agricultural implements, machines and machinery, and sugar, however, showed increases. Gold also shows a heavy falling-off.

The oversea exports for July amounted to £1,570,784, and show a decrease of £39,076, as compared with the corresponding month of last year. Minerals decreased by £146,000, meats by £15,000, and skins by £43,000. For the seven months there was a decrease in the oversea exports of £4,049,655, or over 23 per cent., as compared with last year. Most of the principal articles show large decreases—Wool, £2,291,000; wheat, £685,000; minerals, £655,000; meats, £220,000; skins, £304,000; and tallow, £119,000; coal, timber, and wine alone show increases. Separating merchandise from gold, the exports of the former during the seven months decreased by £4,414,224, but the latter increased by £364,569.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for July show that the net revenue for the month was £1,069,317, or £56,969 less than in July of last year. The principal decreases were—From Commonwealth returns, £50,033; Taxation (State), £7,360; and Railways, £6,577. The returns from Lands increased by £6,401; and Sydney Harbour Trust, £3,009. The expenditure for the first month of the financial year, 1908-9, amounted to £1,026,242, which was £92,532 less than that for July of the previous year. On the 31st July, 1908, the balance to credit of the Consolidated Revenue Account was £1,677,498.

Banks of Issue.—The averages for the quarter ended 30th June are not particularly striking, the principal feature being an increase in advances. Compared with the corresponding period of last year, there was an increase of £143,279 in current accounts, deposits as a whole increasing by £1,519,726. Reserves of coin and bullion were £679,941 greater. Advances increased by £531,489 during the quarter, and during the year by £3,490,849.

Railways.—The report on the Railways for the year ended 30th June shows that the earnings amounted to £4,944,134, and were £234,728 larger than in the preceding year. The working expenses were £2,714,839, the balance being £2,229,295, an improvement of £19,630 for the year. After paying working expenses and interest on capital, there was a surplus of £579,931. The proportion of working expenses increased from 53·1 to 54·9, while the profit represented a return of 4·88 per cent. on the capital expended, which is £45,683,484. All classes of traffic contributed to this result, which is very satisfactory, considering that the rates and fares were reduced greatly as compared with the previous year.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during July was 29,649 oz. crude, equal to 25,374 oz. fine, valued at £107,783. The value of gold produced during the seven months was £583,798, which showed a decrease of £98,767, as compared with the corresponding period of 1907.

Prices.—The general index number for July was the lowest of any month for over three years, and was over 19 per cent. lower than for July of last year. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,072, for metals 1,012, and for all articles 1,130. During the month the prices of wheat, flour, hides, copper, and silver receded, whereas butter, sheepskins, lead, and tin advanced. Other articles remained at the same level as in June.

Meteorology.—The rainfall during July was, generally speaking, below the average over fully two-thirds of the State. Persistent rainstorms, however, were experienced during the last week of the month, and soaking rains were recorded, with few exceptions, over the whole coastal district. Good falls were also experienced over the North-west quadrant of the State.

Land Selections.—During July 201 new settlers applied for 83,557 acres; and 161,535 acres, representing 133 blocks, were set apart for residential settlement. Since the beginning of the year the number of new settlers has been 1,451, and the area applied for 742,654 acres. The original area set apart for residential settlement since the 1st January has been 571,920 acres, representing 712 blocks.

Public Debt, 30th June, 1907, and Security therefor.

PUBLIC DEBT.		ESTIMATED VALUE OF SECURITIES.	
The Public Debt, £85,607,832, has been expended as follows:—		Net Earnings from Business Undertakings , average of 3 years, ended 30/6/07, capitalised at 3½ per cent.*—	
Reproductive Works—	£		£
Railways and Tramways ...	49,996,323	Railways and Tramways ...	57,719,000
Water Supply and Sewerage ...	11,082,545	Water Supply and Sewerage..	11,135,000
Sydney Harbour Trust ...	5,055,160	Sydney Harbour Trust ...	5,537,000
Darling Harbour Resump-tions	1,119,196	Darling Harbour Resumptions	886,000
Total	67,253,224	Total	75,277,000
Indirectly Productive—		Public Lands—	
Conservation of Water, &c....	1,100,581	Net Revenue from Leases capitalised at 3½ per cent...	14,681,000
Roads and Bridges	1,784,582	Amount outstanding on C.P.'s	7,905,000
Harbours and Rivers	4,407,851	Total	22,586,000
Total	7,293,014		
Unproductive Works—		Cash in Hand (30th June, 1907)	4,782,000
Public Buildings and Offices	4,325,691	Sinking Fund (30th June, 1907)	483,000
Handed over to Common-wealth	3,430,647		
Other Works... ..	3,395,256	Total Estimated Value of Securities	£103,128,000
Total	11,061,594		
Total Public Debt ...	£85,607,832		

* Based on the returns from the last year, 1906-7, the capital value of the Business Undertakings was £86,104,000—namely, Railways and Tramways, £67,752,000; Water Supply and Sewerage, £11,257,000; Sydney Harbour Trust, £6,151,000; and Darling Harbour Resumptions, £844,000.

NOTE.—The above statement is not put forward as a State Balance Sheet, but as an approximate valuation of the resources on which the State may rely as security for the public creditors. The debt has been incurred principally on works of a permanent character, 79 per cent. being on reproductive works, 8 per cent. on indirectly productive works for the facilitation of traffic, and 13 per cent. on unproductive works.

The value of the securities has been calculated by taking first the actual net return from the business undertakings of the State for the three years ended June, 1907, and capitalising at 3½ per cent. The value of the public lands has been estimated on the basis only of the annual revenue received and the amount still outstanding on land alienated. The 22 million acres still unalienated have not been taken into account. There is, therefore, little doubt that the value quoted is greatly under-estimated, but no valuation has been made by the Lands Department. In addition, the actual amount of the Sinking Fund and Cash in hand on 30th June, 1907, has been included.

It will be seen from the statement that the securities exceeded the debt by 17½ millions sterling, which may be regarded as extremely satisfactory; and here it might be pointed out that State properties can hardly be valued on the basis of a private business undertaking. State properties are not expected to earn as a maximum a much higher net return than is due for interest on the capital expended. When the results are much in excess of the interest due, public opinion at once demands that reductions be made in the rates and charges. It should also be borne in mind that in valuing the securities no account has been taken of works not directly producing revenue, such as harbour works, roads and bridges, and others, although, of course, indirectly these works have been of great service in developing the country.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1'78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1'64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1'58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1'53	1,354,335
1901	723,494	656,033	1,379,527	14,937	1'09	1,367,851
1902	741,234	666,385	1,407,619	28,092	2'04	1,395,299
1903	755,078	676,533	1,431,611	23,992	1'70	1,419,734
1904	773,699	687,850	1,461,549	29,938	2'09	1,446,535
1905	795,133	700,874	1,496,007	34,458	2'36	1,478,703
1906	816,590	714,394	1,530,984	34,977	2'34	1,514,390
1907	841,391	731,833	1,573,224	42,240	2'76	1,554,783
31st March, 1908 ...	846,592	735,281	1,581,873	.....	.....	.....
30th June, 1908 ...	845,387	737,232	1,582,619	.....	.....	.....

The population includes 4,287 Aborigines of full-blood, of whom 2,451 are males, and 1,836 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17'81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14'90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15'42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16'26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15'98
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15'19
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13'71
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16'11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16'58
1906	11,551	21,066	19,882	8,715	6,260	25,973	17'15
1907	12,189	21,616	20,579	9,429	6,981	25,785	16'59
Jan. to June, 1908...	6,574	10,493	10,161	4,654	3,348	12,652	.....
Apr. to June, 1908	3,313	5,131	5,072	2,299	1,701	6,203	.....
April to June, 1907	3,315	5,450	5,069	2,256	1,675	6,588	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,740	49,278	28,386	149,227
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,937	53,647	31,994	152,831
1901	50,234	25,905	55,538	31,936	163,613	44,332	25,168	66,763	34,267	170,530
1902	54,942	26,249	50,855	28,604	160,650	43,433	23,967	54,411	31,936	153,747
1903	46,121	24,449	54,314	27,459	152,343	39,537	24,095	56,003	28,185	147,820
1904	48,700	24,278	54,997	28,287	156,262	39,475	24,113	56,725	29,318	149,631
1905	47,872	26,298	62,991	35,143	172,304	38,586	25,096	62,340	36,347	162,369
1906	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336	41,039	27,753	71,641	43,899	184,332
1907	65,684	35,441	94,245	45,969	241,339	51,868	30,018	95,447	47,551	224,884
January to June, 1908	33,167	18,865	45,446	24,384	121,862	30,487	17,680	49,969	26,983	125,119
April to June, 1908	14,771	8,110	21,795	11,032	55,708	15,373	8,349	25,230	12,213	61,165
„ 1907	15,741	8,483	20,720	10,623	55,567	12,357	7,468	19,509	10,939	50,273

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	82,530	45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,474	46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,613
1902	79,458	46,900	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,650
1903	81,773	42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,343
1904	83,283	42,911	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,262
1905	98,134	44,315	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,304
1906	113,871	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
1907	140,214	58,734	9,782	20,204	12,405	241,339
January to June, 1908	69,830	30,558	4,268	11,248	5,958	121,862
April to June, 1908	32,827	12,821	1,645	5,732	2,683	55,708
„ 1907	31,343	13,673	1,625	6,089	2,837	55,567

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	85,641	42,863	5,798	9,477	9,952	152,831
1901	101,030	43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,530
1902	86,347	36,448	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,747
1903	84,189	34,914	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,820
1904	86,043	35,888	5,837	12,782	9,081	149,631
1905	98,686	36,771	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,369
1906	115,541	39,458	4,627	15,452	9,254	184,332
1907	142,998	48,755	4,583	18,774	9,774	224,884
January to June, 1908	76,952	28,443	5,112	8,910	5,702	125,119
April to June, 1908	37,443	13,215	3,411	3,753	3,343	61,165
„ 1907	30,448	11,636	1,668	3,224	3,297	50,273

No. 6.—Principal Causes of Death—Six months, January to June—1908 and 1907.

Cause of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1908.			1907.	1908.			1907.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	33	26	59	25	139	88	227	112
Measles	2	2	4	9	9	11	20	20
Scarlet Fever	3	5	8	5	8	9	17	10
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	2	2	135	19	29	48	250
Diphtheria and Croup	12	5	17	24	40	22	62	74
Influenza	5	3	8	5	25	14	39	35
Dysentery	5	6	11	9	38	20	58	41
Plague	2	1	3	14	2	1	3	19
Other Epidemic Diseases... ..	8	3	11	7	13	7	20	13
Septicæmia	2	4	6	2	8	11	19	20
Tuberculosis—Lungs	98	98	196	187	266	237	503	442
Other Organs	21	24	45	28	44	43	87	64
General	12	6	18	20	36	18	54	45
Syphilis	11	7	18	6	19	13	32	19
Cancer	129	139	268	247	294	258	552	529
Rheumatism	7	14	21	17	24	39	63	44
Diabetes	10	11	21	25	21	26	47	55
Exophthalmic Goitre	1	5	6	6	2	7	9	9
Anæmia	8	9	17	16	24	20	44	33
Other General Diseases	8	14	22	20	26	22	48	52
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	18	12	30	29	39	34	73	70
Diseases of Spinal Cord	14	6	20	12	43	16	59	35
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	53	48	101	116	127	92	219	267
General Paralysis	13	2	15	19	24	4	28	27
Convulsions (under 5)	11	10	21	29	53	49	102	100
Other Nervous Diseases	32	27	59	43	119	82	201	154
Endocarditis	19	14	33	23	38	27	65	45
Organic Diseases of Heart	143	116	259	226	376	257	633	537
Other Diseases Circulatory System	33	23	56	43	75	39	114	104
Bronchitis	36	39	75	92	95	91	186	244
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia... ..	68	46	114	163	187	136	323	366
Other Diseases Respiratory System	24	21	45	39	75	51	126	112
Diseases of Stomach	13	13	26	27	36	32	68	77
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	167	133	300	236	404	326	730	565
" " (over 2)... ..	28	32	60	39	111	82	193	141
Intestinal Obstruction	9	16	25	25	36	34	70	57
Cirrhosis of Liver... ..	11	13	24	22	38	28	66	48
Appendicitis	19	13	32	34	42	22	64	73
Other Diseases Digestive System... ..	23	22	45	35	68	69	137	114
Nephritis	98	64	162	167	193	121	314	300
Other Diseases Urinary System	27	4	31	25	84	10	94	70
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	16	16	23	...	21	21	30
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	57	57	53	...	144	144	110
Diseases of Skin	11	5	16	16	23	20	43	32
Diseases of Bones, &c.	11	2	13	10	20	4	24	14
Congenital Malformations	13	4	17	23	33	15	48	50
Diseases of Infancy	116	93	209	202	316	253	569	543
Old Age	66	61	127	117	313	170	483	427
Violence—								
Suicide	22	8	30	26	75	13	88	77
Accidents	96	32	128	104	388	122	510	385
Other External Violence	13	4	17	7	14	4	18	22
Not classed (Open Verdict)	8	2	10	10	27	5	32	25
Ill-defined Causes	24	31	55	44	125	80	205	178
Total	1,616	1,373	2,989	2,886	4,654	3,348	8,002	7,285

Mean annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—
Sydney and Suburbs.

New South Wales.

1903-1907	..	..	..	..	10.56	..	..	..	..	10.33
1908	..	..	..	..	10.00	..	..	..	..	10.12

No. 7.—Principal Articles Imported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	46,830	145,028	191,858	35,763	118,229	153,992
Animals, Living	1,877,934	60,210	1,938,144	1,471,482	59,621	1,531,103
Apparel and Attire	463,191	990,981	1,454,172	362,464	889,733	1,252,197
Piece Goods	323,431	3,160,393	3,483,824	239,411	2,710,081	2,949,492
Boots and Shoes	245,759	132,891	378,650	182,122	115,381	297,503
Cordage and Twines	32,754	54,046	86,800	41,668	39,611	81,279
Drugs and Chemicals... ..	55,614	243,865	299,479	22,461	158,052	180,513
Fish—all kinds	35,100	126,841	161,941	20,914	98,577	119,491
Fruits and Vegetables	412,810	139,762	582,572	365,528	105,559	471,087
Furniture	52,816	117,172	169,988	35,546	97,782	133,328
Glass and Glassware	28,723	165,477	194,200	23,649	113,189	136,838
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	3,405,937	1,048,343	4,454,280	3,529,330	1,586,999	5,116,329
Hats and Caps	83,484	178,561	262,045	74,803	151,809	226,612
Implements, &c.—Agricultural	120,883	101,741	222,624	172,296	79,101	251,397
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	35,812	369,716	405,528	19,271	311,445	330,716
Galvanized Sheet	49,014	398,722	447,736	38,814	296,066	334,880
Leather	118,139	181,209	299,348	125,281	168,956	294,237
Machines and Machinery	402,418	1,301,124	1,703,542	276,803	800,353	1,077,156
Metal Manufactures—Free	78,789	901,235	980,024	78,396	780,596	858,992
Dutiable	166,583	575,660	742,243	136,854	427,747	564,601
Oil—Kerosene... ..	16,996	153,014	170,010	11,655	111,785	123,440
Spirits—all kinds	92,544	455,853	548,397	74,930	330,171	405,101
Sugar	789,352	46,022	835,374	883,235	190,466	1,073,701
Tea	48,090	512,656	560,746	37,435	381,069	418,504
Timber	263,679	952,317	1,216,000	187,332	526,413	713,745
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	144,901	354,616	499,517	141,585	238,371	399,956
Wool	1,685,715	7,013	1,692,728	1,469,328	1,385	1,470,713
All other Articles	7,488,506	8,285,923	15,774,429	7,003,504	6,694,956	13,698,460
Total	£18,595,804	20,860,301	39,456,105	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363

No. 8.—Principal Articles Exported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.				1906.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Value.	
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.
			£	£	£	£
Animals, Living ... ..	.....	.....	2,620,804	95,347	2,408,436	92,210
Butter lb.	2,905,206	18,829,626	132,536	810,270	48,676	1,003,423
Coal tons	1,785,843	2,644,507	970,765	1,297,530	891,446	892,170
Copper, Ingots, & Matte cwt.	1,271	406,961	4,836	1,613,218	5,031	1,627,458
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	.....	.....	625,604	2,664,070	685,772	5,932,214
Grain—Wheat... .. cental	874,590	3,036,810	214,465	798,901	257,265	689,918
Flour "	449,305	777,876	188,668	319,662	177,051	285,482
Lead—Pig, and Matte cwt.	2,870,657	1,501,953	1,953,742	1,320,025	1,388,945	635,621
Leather ... ..	.....	.....	138,270	300,349	133,222	329,267
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.	6,167,052	55,831,419	73,360	614,996	75,035	538,771
Rabbits and Hares prs.	216,144	6,986,466	1,993	301,115	1,704	246,803
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.	5,545	119,276	10,247	195,816	4,406	151,292
Ores ... .. "	.....	169,062	3,444	298,314	9,070	277,959
Silver Bullion, &c. oz.	6,619,479	3,343,122	628,255	429,084	506,912	105,155
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	655,011
Silver and Silver-lead Ore "	679,261	797,251	138,103	430,860	94,980	446,921
Skins—Hides No.	65,697	197,239	79,098	189,010	86,975	146,303
Sheep "	643,283	3,943,123	132,220	502,893	90,618	403,166
Rabbit and Hare lb.	1,108,602	6,981,362	31,395	214,741	23,669	298,532
Other ... .. "	.....	.....	9,232	286,664	4,718	415,678
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. cwt.	3,829,034	958,151	371,164	158,476	239,510	86,505
Tallow "	29,656	358,377	29,371	539,976	20,930	470,023
Timber... ..	.....	.....	40,623	342,045	41,853	352,622
Tin, Ingots cwt.	221	85,268	1,924	727,333	1,456	700,806
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.	17,140,916	298,651,930	2,632,344	16,219,020	3,240,935	12,302,149
All other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	4,848,472	2,224,358	4,212,541	1,901,420
Total ... ..	£.....	.....	15,880,905	32,894,073	14,651,156	30,986,888

No. 9.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898 ...	11,721,033	12,732,527	24,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899 ...	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900 ...	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901 ...	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902 ...	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903 ...	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,941,161	26,818,059
1904 ...	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,086,484	33,004,534
1905 ...	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,518,534	36,782,006
1906 ...	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363	14,651,156	30,986,888	45,638,044
1907 ...	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase (+) or Decrease (—).
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	917,216	1,756,542	2,673,758	1,499,770	1,560,746	3,060,516	(—) 386,758
February ...	1,182,813	1,898,371	3,081,184	1,213,964	1,805,776	3,019,740	(+) 61,444
March ...	939,573	1,760,035	2,699,608	1,282,876	1,548,164	2,831,040	(—) 131,432
April ...	1,075,968	1,570,902	2,646,870	924,064	1,830,997	2,754,161	(—) 107,291
May ...	1,228,323	1,384,675	2,612,998	1,396,169	1,980,428	3,376,597	(—) 763,599
June ...	1,055,710	1,779,191	2,834,901	1,137,839	1,646,944	2,784,783	(+) 50,118
July ...	1,133,123	2,109,144	3,242,267	1,086,784	2,084,514	3,171,298	(+) 70,969
Total (7 mths) £	7,532,726	12,258,860	19,791,586	8,541,466	12,456,669	20,998,135	(—) 1,206,549

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase (+) or Decrease (—).
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,452,638	811,008	2,263,646	3,486,107	1,024,953	4,511,060	(—) 2,247,414
February ...	3,105,116	839,753	3,944,869	3,193,924	1,031,359	4,225,283	(—) 280,414
March ...	2,250,788	888,745	3,139,533	3,383,427	882,880	4,266,307	(—) 1,126,774
April ...	1,698,615	953,725	2,652,340	2,002,802	988,690	2,991,492	(—) 339,152
May ...	1,625,290	997,974	2,623,264	1,862,384	1,024,518	2,886,902	(—) 263,638
June ...	1,712,681	925,071	2,637,752	1,927,063	952,170	2,879,233	(—) 241,481
July ...	1,570,784	*	.....	1,609,860	1,069,606	2,679,466	(—) 39,076†
Total (7 mths) £	13,415,912	.....	.....	17,465,567	6,974,176	24,439,743	(—) 4,049,655†

* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported during July, and during the seven months January to July.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
July.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	1,260	14,337	15,597	1,209	15,468	16,677
Animals	121,255	3,488	124,743	98,064	7,803	105,867
Apparel and Soft Goods	25,431	522,767	548,198	30,262	549,241	579,503
Boots and Shoes	19,425	8,695	28,120	17,845	15,312	33,157
Cordage and Twines	1,812	24,387	26,199	2,136	24,084	26,220
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	29,130	29,130	5,097	29,609	34,706
Fish—all kinds	1,015	7,828	8,843	1,916	4,057	5,973
Fruits—Dried	5,924	2,624	8,548	9,272	3,279	12,551
Fresh	22,204	3,102	25,306	17,184	6,990	24,174
Furniture ... ..	.....	10,226	10,226	4,432	8,860	13,292
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	14,896	14,896	1,500	9,624	11,124
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	196,598	13,876	210,474	135,864	87,362	223,226
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	13,281	13,281	.....	4,401	4,401
Hats and Caps	5,335	18,956	24,291	3,717	31,989	35,706
Implements—Agricultural	2,153	18,153	20,306	3,450	3,656	7,106
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	215	33,426	33,641	163	29,058	29,221
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	28,781	28,781	.....	41,661	41,661
Leather	6,967	18,645	25,612	7,292	25,494	32,786
Machines and Machinery	8,561	179,752	188,313	17,008	120,196	137,204
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	6,402	59,711	63,113	8,115	52,178	60,293
Free	41	105,312	105,353	396	82,056	82,452
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	238	238	.....	1,992	1,992
Spirits	4,240	59,705	63,945	3,471	44,336	47,807
Sugar	46,387	25	46,412	64,308	426	64,734
Tea ... ..	.....	38,855	38,855	.....	47,877	47,877
Timber	15,704	65,804	81,508	13,484	96,652	110,136
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	11,870	68,217	80,087	10,838	29,590	40,428
Wine	4,157	3,130	7,287	4,050	3,909	7,959
Wool	98,876	16	98,892	82,460	64	82,524
Other Articles	527,291	744,781	1,272,072	543,251	707,290	1,250,541
Total	£ 1,133,123	2,109,144	3,242,267	1,086,784	2,084,514	3,171,298

January to July.

Ale and Beer	13,950	90,495	110,445	14,635	97,064	111,699
Animals	720,126	31,750	751,882	768,211	45,249	813,460
Apparel and Soft Goods	208,214	2,772,652	2,980,866	266,092	2,905,083	3,171,175
Boots and Shoes	125,566	84,619	210,185	108,892	94,909	203,801
Cordage and Twines	3,649	160,900	164,549	15,000	153,207	168,207
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	186,204	186,204	24,247	223,344	247,591
Fish—all kinds	1,015	98,944	99,959	6,073	94,691	100,764
Fruits—Dried	19,816	12,804	32,710	59,935	29,001	88,936
Fresh	177,215	38,688	215,903	152,398	36,894	189,292
Furniture ... ..	.....	48,118	48,118	22,640	64,155	86,795
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	84,261	84,261	7,618	103,256	110,874
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	1,101,588	356,229	1,457,817	2,012,658	655,389	2,668,047
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	81,389	81,389	.....	76,973	76,973
Hats and Caps	41,180	92,079	133,259	32,226	142,663	174,889
Implements—Agricultural	47,655	59,044	106,699	58,866	46,675	105,541
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	2,514	209,062	211,576	1,235	224,674	225,909
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	192,530	192,530	.....	247,384	247,384
Leather	52,011	95,687	147,698	58,731	108,808	167,539
Machines and Machinery	63,134	939,204	1,002,338	102,294	825,533	927,827
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	60,285	427,585	487,870	47,872	403,971	451,843
Free	1,583	453,742	455,325	10,766	625,035	635,801
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	44,173	44,173	.....	108,963	108,963
Spirits	23,419	220,523	243,942	22,759	267,721	290,480
Sugar	238,293	110,211	348,504	258,163	12,821	270,984
Tea ... ..	.....	278,885	278,885	.....	296,061	296,061
Timber	67,986	390,693	458,679	72,846	418,548	491,394
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	66,543	203,865	270,408	66,213	226,126	292,339
Wine	28,404	31,446	59,850	24,723	27,804	52,527
Wool	597,095	2,206	599,301	794,044	2,938	796,982
Other Articles	3,871,485	4,454,776	8,326,261	3,532,329	3,891,729	7,424,058
Total	£ 7,532,726	12,258,860	19,791,586	8,541,466	12,456,669	20,998,135

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during July, and during the seven months January to July.

Article.	1908.				1907.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.
July.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	163	163	£ 5,958	£ 5,958	16	16	£ 492	£ 492
Butter lb.	68,528	68,528	3,976	3,976	211,120	211,120	10,926	10,926
Coal ton	178,739	178,739	93,984	93,984	197,892	197,892	99,875	99,875
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	28,615	28,615	81,195	81,195	36,370	36,370	159,571	159,571
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	4,967	4,967	3,861	3,861	14,000	14,000	8,440	8,440
Gold—Coined, Uncoined .....	.....	.....	374,776	374,776	.....	.....	177,833	177,833
Grain—Wheat cntl.	85	85	29	29	46,198	46,198	14,913	14,913
Flour „	37,927	37,927	17,563	17,563	67,229	67,229	30,866	30,866
Lead cwt.	139,975	139,995	83,470	83,484	116,851	116,851	110,417	110,417
Leather ... .. „	.....	.....	24,114	25,502	.....	.....	21,958	22,755
Meats—Beef lb.	24,165	24,165	337	337	19,772	19,772	272	272
Mutton & Lamb „	1,906,060	1,906,060	23,641	23,641	3,546,549	3,546,549	35,750	35,750
Rabbits & Hares pair	1,258,960	1,258,960	57,239	57,239	1,483,325	1,483,325	66,457	66,457
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	879,582	879,822	16,030	16,037	492,750	493,015	9,579	9,587
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.	9,849	9,849	11,929	11,929	17,474	17,474	28,510	28,510
Ores, Spelter, &c. ....	.....	.....	41,519	41,589	.....	.....	41,500	41,500
Silver Bullion oz.	246,214	246,214	24,242	24,242	191,885	191,885	25,191	25,191
Skins—Hides No.	24,913	24,913	17,899	17,899	12,441	12,441	13,956	13,956
Sheep „	69,753	69,753	9,294	9,294	325,675	325,675	36,762	36,762
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	257,665	257,665	15,032	15,032	802,700	802,700	30,264	30,264
Other ... .. „	.....	.....	21,369	21,369	.....	.....	25,832	25,832
Tallow cwt.	26,121	26,121	34,944	34,944	31,653	31,653	48,219	48,219
Timber ... .. „	.....	.....	21,346	21,989	.....	.....	13,442	15,500
Tin, Ingots cwt.	4,567	4,567	30,063	30,063	6,965	6,965	63,863	63,863
Wine gal.	6,380	6,537	1,597	1,895	8,106	8,331	1,295	1,631
Wool lb.	9,059,635	9,059,635	412,483	412,483	4,827,511	4,827,511	355,256	355,256
Other Articles ... .. „	.....	.....	74,685	140,474	.....	.....	85,886	175,221
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	1,502,575	1,570,784	.....	.....	1,517,319	1,609,860
January to July.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	3,402	3,402	£ 32,812	£ 32,812	1,118	1,118	£ 31,497	£ 31,497
Butter lb.	11,073,870	11,073,870	532,732	532,732	13,289,974	13,289,974	552,698	552,698
Coal ton	1,546,472	1,546,472	822,075	822,075	1,312,022	1,312,022	651,532	651,532
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	212,949	212,949	603,205	603,205	219,791	219,791	1,046,795	1,046,795
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	23,194	24,048	16,822	17,706	37,787	38,852	22,904	23,992
Gold—Coined, Uncoined .....	.....	.....	2,216,023	2,216,023	.....	.....	1,851,454	1,851,454
Grain—Wheat cntl.	138,637	138,637	52,412	52,412	2,847,866	2,847,866	737,363	737,363
Flour „	201,473	201,473	99,437	99,437	583,931	584,044	223,726	223,778
Lead cwt.	922,065	922,186	564,016	564,103	796,952	797,494	733,241	733,666
Leather ... .. „	.....	.....	153,872	159,245	.....	.....	164,453	170,710
Meats—Beef lb.	221,594	221,594	3,285	3,285	1,270,775	1,270,775	14,513	14,513
Mutton & Lamb „	12,330,869	12,330,869	132,479	132,479	29,503,621	29,503,621	341,310	341,310
Rabbits & Hares pair	3,587,811	3,587,811	154,880	154,880	3,892,448	3,892,448	169,193	169,193
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	3,120,189	3,123,760	60,422	60,583	2,367,013	2,368,289	46,438	46,546
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.	42,344	42,344	54,537	54,537	49,283	49,288	95,211	95,396
Ores, Spelter, &c. ....	.....	.....	416,507	419,945	.....	.....	447,398	447,608
Silver Bullion oz.	1,866,873	1,883,051	194,972	196,772	1,573,598	1,573,598	201,675	201,675
Skins—Hides No.	124,866	124,866	86,611	86,611	97,180	97,180	100,619	100,619
Sheep „	1,127,190	1,127,415	104,144	104,169	2,069,015	2,072,692	250,311	250,532
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	1,337,494	1,337,494	49,366	49,366	4,100,247	4,100,247	140,979	140,979
Other ... .. „	.....	.....	65,513	65,539	.....	.....	117,335	117,335
Tallow cwt.	131,087	131,105	176,682	176,707	186,008	186,120	295,202	295,342
Timber ... .. „	.....	.....	159,134	170,905	.....	.....	157,659	169,917
Tin, Ingots cwt.	41,090	41,090	270,265	270,265	48,243	48,243	449,654	449,654
Wine gal.	33,914	36,097	8,681	11,405	28,923	30,563	6,877	9,397
Wool lb.	104,012,307	104,012,307	5,189,579	5,189,579	135,293,830	135,293,830	7,481,477	7,481,477
Other Articles ... .. „	.....	.....	536,584	1,169,135	.....	.....	512,887	1,110,595
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	12,757,047	13,415,912	.....	.....	16,844,401	17,465,567

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Outward Interstate Transfers during June, and during the six months January to June.

NOTE.—The figures for July, 1908, are not yet available.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
June.						
Animals—Live	£ 66 948	£ 470	£ 67,418	£ 107,706	£ 60	£ 107,766
Apparel and Soft Goods	13,583	32,941	46,524	11,599	29,393	40,992
Biscuits	4,985	5	4,990	5,131	3	5,134
Boots and Shoes—Leather... ..	13,560	1,244	14,804	12,359	1,868	14,227
Butter	71,823	.....	71,823	32,137	2	32,139
Cement	3,763	44	3,807	3,332	80	3,412
Coal	86,788	.....	86,788	74,788	.....	74,788
Fruits—Fresh	8,874	108	8,982	11,134	224	11,358
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	70,929	.....	70,929	41,236	.....	41,236
Grain—Wheat	6,367	.....	6,367	3,151	.....	3,151
Flour	16,546	12	16,558	16,814	28	16,842
Hats and Caps	2,250	2,392	4,642	2,348	2,242	4,590
Leather	5,451	3,750	9,201	7,164	6,688	13,852
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	10,942	11,750	22,692	6,486	4,952	11,438
Free	2,897	2,876	5,773	963	4,395	5,358
Potatoes	3,588	.....	3,588	1,594	.....	1,594
Skins and Hides	11,479	.....	11,479	15,975	15	15,990
Soap	3,040	.....	3,040	4,635	6	4,641
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	22,688	.....	22,688	34,799	1	34,800
Spirits	1,499	10,667	12,166	1,394	6,835	8,229
Sugar	18,396	.....	18,396	15,310	.....	15,310
Tea ... ..	.....	10,618	10,618	.....	5,256	5,256
Timber	2,632	538	3,170	4,155	409	4,564
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	14,570	1,787	16,357	16,267	1,561	17,828
Wool	5,245	.....	5,245	4,456	.....	4,456
Other Articles	240,430	136,596	377,026	324,910	129,239	454,149
Total	£ 709,273	£ 215,798	£ 925,071	£ 758,943	£ 193,227	£ 952,170

January to June.

Animals—Live	544,932	3,620	548,552	750,021	1,527	751,548
Apparel and Soft Goods	82,339	171,804	254,143	86,555	179,406	265,961
Biscuits	29,496	42	29,538	28,323	139	28,462
Boots and Shoes—Leather... ..	65,527	10,555	76,082	65,422	11,632	77,054
Butter	217,643	.....	217,643	82,178	2	82,180
Cement	21,602	114	21,716	24,379	417	24,796
Coal	579,619	.....	579,619	458,523	.....	458,523
Fruits—Fresh	40,702	2,248	42,950	42,209	4,527	46,736
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	181,065	.....	181,065	85,052	.....	85,052
Grain—Wheat	48,017	.....	48,017	181,215	.....	181,215
Flour	95,710	121	95,831	79,955	341	80,296
Hats and Caps	17,267	13,254	30,521	14,753	13,572	28,325
Leather	35,913	29,103	65,016	39,745	32,779	72,524
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	47,880	57,428	105,308	30,117	28,844	58,961
Free	8,931	19,368	28,299	11,707	20,302	32,009
Potatoes	19,928	.....	19,928	10,431	.....	10,431
Skins and Hides	66,101	5	66,106	83,641	95	83,736
Soap	23,495	56	23,551	27,448	23	27,471
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	203,874	.....	203,874	166,928	13	166,941
Spirits	8,885	38,922	47,807	7,459	40,113	47,572
Sugar	134,730	4,172	138,902	129,751	2,822	132,573
Tea ... ..	.....	52,932	52,932	.....	58,807	58,807
Timber	19,113	4,428	23,541	14,779	3,395	18,174
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	107,447	11,946	119,393	95,368	15,982	111,290
Wool	155,684	.....	155,684	250,806	.....	250,806
Other Articles	1,555,380	684,878	2,240,258	2,032,459	690,668	2,723,127
Total	£ 4,311,280	£ 1,104,996	£ 5,416,276	£ 4,799,164	£ 1,105,406	£ 5,904,570

No. 15.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1907.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,865,889	272,066	172,610	189,093	112,331	132,792	70,939
February...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419
March ...	1,889,287	139,933	148,573	205,818	170,184	128,970	65,754
April ...	801,336	108,443	61,474	229,009	108,137	118,760	69,964
May ...	351,413	72,016	32,872	456,983	115,633	180,440	111,292
June ...	401,198	52,269	3,551	431,925	111,361	167,514	135,289
July ...	355,256	45,779	10,926	177,833	110,417	159,571	99,875
August ...	352,263	55,027	19,485	213,924	128,713	127,016	133,457
September ...	1,148,653	40,785	34,199	159,935	134,325	132,058	112,351
October ...	2,354,234	37,574	60,207	108,252	96,793	117,157	131,048
November ...	2,859,644	13,280	48,996	122,765	128,230	98,051	95,520
December ...	2,021,564	11,849	94,685	206,894	103,346	102,141	173,626
1908.							
January ...	378,725	30,960	205,356	150,436	66,160	90,561	112,830
February...	1,986,483	17,624	109,676	191,865	62,177	93,347	140,959
March ...	1,052,036	38,408	127,056	218,584	100,749	91,033	130,860
April ...	529,876	15,240	74,115	432,176	68,544	70,699	103,589
May ...	325,860	17,371	8,370	490,211	78,327	88,408	117,360
June ...	504,116	14,654	4,183	357,975	104,589	87,962	122,493
July ...	412,483	17,592	3,976	374,776	83,470	81,195	93,984

No. 16.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907 ...	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
Jan.-July, 1908	1,838	3,534,938	1,879	3,589,688	3,191,567	343,371	3,167,489	422,199
„ 1907	1,824	3,345,996	1,815	3,294,460	2,859,910	486,086	2,828,122	466,338
July, 1908 ...	258	503,987	257	497,881	462,559	41,428	447,564	50,317
„ 1907 ...	275	519,370	277	502,051	454,641	64,729	435,735	66,316

No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1906.	1907.
Imports.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Australian States	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	17,061,860	18,595,804
United Kingdom	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	10,047,928	12,474,736
Canada ... ..	.....	18,784	61,742	114,321	150,132	200,173
Fiji	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	55,478	97,373
Hongkong	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	102,680	117,046
India and Ceylon	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	848,792	1,059,919
New Zealand	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	2,094,508	1,604,868
South Africa	290	55	34	1,013	3,263	6,374
Straits Settlements	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	103,636	119,167
Other British Possessions ...	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	87,570	103,916
Total, British Countries..	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	30,555,847	34,379,376
Belgium	195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	394,805	504,268
China	303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	10,823	39,188
France	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	118,173	146,717
Germany	372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	1,037,771	1,199,415
Italy	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	78,706	121,294
Japan	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	180,519	235,179
New Caledonia	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	33,667	43,971
Philippine Islands	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	39,436	30,357
South Sea Islands	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	132,732	145,836
United States	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,702,428	2,335,409
Other Foreign Countries ...	90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	380,456	276,085
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	4,109,516	5,076,819
Total, All Countries ...	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	34,665,363	39,456,195
Exports.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Australian States	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	14,651,156	15,880,905
United Kingdom	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	12,174,155	13,687,977
Canada ... ..	.....	10	16,804	66,403	723,308	105,893
Fiji	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	307,247	318,171
Hongkong	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	431,748	482,219
India and Ceylon	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,546,539	1,131,781
New Zealand	369,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	1,300,126	1,480,461
South Africa ... ..	.....	1,014	3,266	755,487	367,009	430,869
Straits Settlements	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	160,996	218,866
Other British Possessions ...	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	88,931	87,351
Total, British Countries..	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	31,751,215	33,824,493
Belgium	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	3,263,310	3,531,502
China	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	97,930	217,368
France	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,179,531	4,475,962
Germany	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,294,260	3,685,469
Italy	1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	128,674	145,211
Japan	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	633,730	486,083
New Caledonia	153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	122,102	114,918
Philippine Islands ... ..	.....	16,410	18,603	88,043	234,658	311,301
South Sea Islands	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	119,333	140,262
United States	985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	2,963,288	811,942
Other Foreign Countries ...	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	850,013	1,030,467
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	13,886,829	14,950,485
Total, All Countries ...	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	45,638,044	48,774,978

No. 18.—State Revenue, July, and year ended 30th June.

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	July.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to June.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Surplus Commonwealth Revenue ...	422,714	372,681	(-) 50,033	3,022,351	3,591,371	569,020
Taxation (by State) ...	80,898	73,538	(-) 7,360	1,413,517	1,133,359	(-) 280,158
Public Lands ...	154,534	160,935	6,401	1,956,127	1,857,376	(-) 98,751
All other sources ...	45,387	45,900	513	705,934	676,393	(-) 29,541
Gross Total ...	793,533	653,054	(-) 50,479	7,097,929	7,258,499	160,570
Refunds ...	12,595	8,892	(-) 3,703	130,327	144,340	14,013
Net Total ...	690,938	644,162	(-) 46,776	6,967,602	7,114,159	146,557
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	411,586	405,009	(-) 6,577	5,633,538	6,058,915	425,377
Other ...	30,705	32,416	1,711	838,915	877,943	39,028
Gross Total ...	442,291	437,425	(-) 4,866	6,472,453	6,936,858	464,405
Refunds ...	6,943	12,270	5,327	47,620	90,254	42,634
Net Total ...	435,348	425,155	(-) 10,193	6,424,833	6,846,604	421,771
Gross Revenue and Receipts proper ...	1,145,824	1,090,479	(-) 55,345	13,570,382	14,195,357	624,975
Net Revenue and Receipts proper £	1,126,286	1,069,317	(-) 56,969	13,332,435	13,960,763	568,328

No. 19.—State Expenditure, July, and year ended 30th June.

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	July.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to June.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	487,421	442,957	(-) 44,464	5,038,353	4,926,295	(-) 112,058
Business Undertakings ...	338,418	308,914	(-) 29,504	3,463,095	3,768,590	305,495
Interest ...	242,935	224,371	(-) 18,564	3,142,607	3,057,426	(-) 85,181
Sinking Fund and Redemptions ...	50,000	50,000	.....	* 405,090	* 406,145	1,055
Total Expenditure ...	£ 1,118,774	1,026,242	(-) 92,532	12,049,145	12,158,456	109,311

No. 20.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account for the month of July.

Particulars.	1907-8.	1908-9.
	£	£
Balance on 1st July ...	Cr. 1,471,344	Cr. 1,676,924
Revenue proper—Governmental ...	690,938	644,162
Business Undertakings ...	435,348	425,155
Other Receipts ...	2,361	2,156
Total Receipts ...	£ 1,128,647	1,071,473
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...	487,421	442,957
Business Undertakings ...	338,418	308,914
Interest ...	242,935	224,371
Sinking Fund Contributions ...	50,000	50,000
Transfer to Closer Settlement Account ...	.....	.....
Transfer to Public Works Account... ..	408,409	.....
Other Payments ...	12,755	44,657
Total Payments ...	£ 1,539,938	1,070,899
Balance on 31st July ...	£ Cr. 1,060,053	Cr. 1,677,498

* Includes repayments to State Debt Commissioners on account of Bogan Scrub clearing.

No. 21.—Commonwealth Revenue collected in State.*

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation.			Posts and Telegraphs.	Other Revenue.	Total.
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	820,012	198,996	1,019,008	276,936	1,019	1,296,963
1902	2,323,999	488,732	2,812,731	873,312	8,223	3,694,266
1903	2,861,710	617,032	3,478,742	906,798	5,479	4,391,019
1904	2,604,048	625,738	3,229,786	941,529	5,075	4,176,390
1905	2,390,735	642,882	3,033,617	980,151	7,542	4,021,310
1906	2,563,552	670,370	3,233,922	1,065,633	15,275	4,314,830
1907	2,845,786	727,527	3,573,313	1,191,489	17,320	4,782,122
1908	3,672,145	842,590	4,514,736	1,277,439	23,655	5,815,830
†June, 1908 ...	818,189	196,229	1,014,488	326,587	6,072	1,347,147
„ 1907	706,393	185,379	891,772	307,474	4,478	1,203,724

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Three months ended 30th June.

No. 22.—Commonwealth Expenditure in State.

Year ended 30th June.	New Expenditure.	Customs and Excise.	Posts and Telegraphs.	Naval and Military.	Other.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	47,605	29,006	262,036	79,744	...	409,391
1902	99,252	63,450	840,685	309,146	...	1,312,533
1903	114,131	70,438	890,203	268,146	10	1,342,920
1904	167,043	69,188	950,108	298,756	...	1,485,095
1905	169,085	69,451	942,905	314,230	...	1,492,671
1906	187,340	73,431	984,371	327,734	25	1,572,901
1907	283,184	74,810	1,049,120	349,493	378	1,756,985
1908	463,102	84,186	1,188,300	447,256	15,620	2,198,464
†June, 1908 ...	125,885	23,621	336,122	210,956	15,307	711,891
„ 1907	47,125	19,314	265,987	86,910	78	419,414

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Three months ended 30th June.

‡ Includes £210,796 on account of Old-age Pensions and Defence placed to Trust Fund.

No. 23.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Resumptions).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1898	63,112,720	421,885	538,622	282,421	410,215	1,653,143
1899	63,762,066	589,156	579,738	370,680	486,370	2,025,944
1900	65,332,993	858,193	438,684	382,346	721,720	2,400,943
1901	67,361,246	1,085,747	532,691	505,199	661,392	2,785,029
1902	71,592,485	2,243,672	486,205	1,698,387	510,977	4,939,241
1903	77,692,987	1,683,755	554,581	2,017,346	457,704	4,713,386
1904	80,033,581	805,520	315,305	879,213	288,704	2,288,742
1905	82,321,998	501,710	242,770	465,712	361,065	1,571,257
1906	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,367,022
1907	85,607,832	421,742	344,345	167,677	124,789	1,058,553
1908	87,635,826	1,516,892	385,628	152,598	134,779	2,189,897

NOTE.—Redemptions of loans are not included in the Expenditure, nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 24.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
By Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State	£ 1,508,055	£ 1,641,563	£ 2,385,904	£ 3,053,133	£ 2,683,417	£ 2,529,070	£ 2,742,770	£ 3,022,351
By State	881,692	1,041,548	1,108,770	1,108,782	1,100,193	1,114,408	1,297,776	1,381,305
	£ 2,389,747	2,683,111	3,494,674	4,161,915	3,783,610	3,643,478	4,040,546	4,403,656
Land—								
Alienations	1,213,661	1,226,905	1,155,515	1,010,246	1,030,138	937,815	976,772	1,029,439
Revenue	894,772	835,072	841,559	791,219	827,188	820,087	753,115	851,373
	£ 2,108,433	2,061,977	1,997,074	1,801,465	1,857,326	1,757,902	1,729,887	1,880,812
Receipts for Services rendered	£ 317,297	344,322	375,333	351,966	373,711	358,570	372,575	330,640
Miscellaneous Receipts	£ 216,280	270,546	221,666	236,127	290,550	288,020	285,479	343,851
Total Governmental	£ 5,031,757	5,359,956	6,088,747	6,551,473	6,305,197	6,047,970	6,428,487	6,958,959
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners	3,563,376	4,099,085	4,324,432	4,079,788	4,263,744	4,527,368	5,051,954	5,596,428
Sydney Harbour Trust ... ..	.....	60,602	217,391	256,133	261,659	253,581	270,689	298,037
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	319,849	327,214	347,710	376,221	385,793	473,562	492,195	496,794
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	30,707	27,806	29,076	32,453	31,934	34,437	39,757	42,217
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,913,932	4,514,707	4,918,609	4,744,595	4,943,130	5,288,948	5,854,595	6,433,476
Total	8,945,689	9,874,663	11,007,356	11,296,068	11,248,327	11,336,918	12,283,082	13,392,435
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	31,609	24,612	49,112	92,830	103,868	47,753	8,285	14,108
Grand Total	£ 8,977,298	9,899,275	11,056,468	11,388,898	11,352,195	11,384,671	12,291,367	13,406,543

* Adjusted amounts for purposes of comparison, Commonwealth transferred services excluded.

No. 25.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899-1900.	1900-1.	1901-2.	1902-3.	1903-4.	1904-5.	1905-6.	1906-7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental :—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Govt.*	620,867	580,517	737,578	895,732	831,527	883,236	938,398	907,026
Old-age Pensions and Administration ... ..	.....	40	453,279	553,507	531,983	518,656	510,343	515,177
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	30,835	44,629	44,299	37,589	†131,096	†170,909	†170,685	†167,947
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	8,136	14,361	27,160	12,710	22,586	42,048	10,464	20,426
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	34,002	33,303	32,694	35,014	34,746	23,210	29,129	29,503
Endowments and Grants—								
Municipalities, including Municipal Rates on Government Buildings	28,818	29,330	55,516	43,585	45,480	21,172	17,884	66,815
Fire and Water Brigades	13,522	15,633	17,517	16,785	22,354	15,790	20,052	19,457
Miners' Accident Relief and Administration ... ..	.....	2,002	9,043	10,329	11,668	11,875	12,747	13,778
Hospitals, Benevolent Societies, Coast Hospital, other Charitable Institutions	103,995	108,214	122,521	114,948	109,779	121,568	142,934	121,856
Fire and Flood Relief	149	1,620	132	882	98	5,278	220	86
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	14,934	15,404	15,986	13,071	11,410	14,363	8,936	17,390
Public Charities, including Government Asylums, State Children, Aborigines, and Maintenance of Paupers	157,134	130,388	159,703	167,589	166,148	154,364	149,339	144,933
Lunacy, including Master-in-Lunacy	110,705	114,568	125,436	147,238	138,847	128,062	135,367	135,728
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	773,653	789,206	874,692	904,142	912,621	915,586	937,840	943,638
Public Works, including Establishment	839,940	983,851	1,022,963	924,881	770,240	693,657	788,522	637,582
Labour and Industry, including Unemployed	9,661	9,182	13,220	17,414	21,355	11,087	12,821	7,856
Local Government Endowments, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126,583
Extraordinary Services—								
Bubonic Plague	84,451	92,065	5,235	23,094	5,144	3,456	2,094	2,641
Military and Naval Contingents—South Africa and China	157,985	225,458	49,472	10,847	1,264	194	1,079	24,284
Federal Celebrations and Royal Receptions ... ..	.....	121,528	21,477	514	1,981	.....	.....	.....
All other Services of the State under Public Departments	1,805,465	1,932,017	1,961,519	1,952,191	1,913,964	1,841,543	1,816,518	1,899,999
Total—Governmental	£ 4,794,252	5,243,316	5,749,442	5,882,062	5,684,291	5,576,054	5,705,372	5,802,705
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	2,197,999	2,586,475	3,002,680	3,169,470	3,132,636	3,131,826	3,184,816	3,444,243
Interest on Capitals	†1,788,948	†1,892,780	†1,981,501	†2,046,289	†2,133,548	2,167,782	2,136,660	2,229,708
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,986,947	4,479,255	4,984,181	5,215,759	5,266,184	5,299,608	5,321,476	5,673,951
Sinking Fund Instalments	264,561	269,412	274,550	369,413	369,413	319,413	360,016	405,090
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	718,051
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200,000
Total	£ 9,045,760	9,991,983	11,008,173	11,467,234	11,319,888	11,195,075	11,386,864	12,799,797
Advances made	30,319	77,221	132,889	169,239	72,015	2,423	8,378	31,526
Grand Total	£ 9,076,079	10,069,204	11,141,062	11,636,473	11,391,903	11,197,498	11,395,242	12,831,323

* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries being paid to Revenue. ‡ For years 1899-1900 to 1903-4, figures for interest on capitals are approximate only, as the capital debt of the four corporate bodies was not definitely settled.

No. 26.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059
1900	1,447,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232
1905	1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,627	37,071,054	140,118	38,860,062
1906	1,504,670	313,946	16,834,690	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,629	41,416,737
1907	1,756,696	263,018	18,729,709	24,034,857	42,764,566	153,186	44,937,466
31 March, 1908 ...	1,720,484	308,685	19,559,899	24,171,544	43,731,443	208,340	45,968,952
30 June, 1908 ...	1,713,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,616,985	357,320	45,971,186
30 June, 1907 ...	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178

No. 27.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466	44,527,828
1897	5,766,554	175,937	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722
1898	5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224
1899	5,805,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652	42,194,661
1900	5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,036,427
1901	5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559
1902	6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491
1903	5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576
1904	6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615	41,606,948
1905	8,624,083	199,177	1,799,231	32,447,659	326,750	297,237	43,694,137
1906	7,247,347	260,016	1,819,417	34,415,596	335,979	379,002	44,457,957
1907	9,342,931	209,454	1,746,940	37,244,216	359,038	443,636	49,345,915
31 March, 1908 ...	9,949,156	209,635	1,778,341	37,437,277	333,109	404,916	50,112,434
30 June, 1908 ...	9,617,962	190,432	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,975
30 June, 1907 ...	8,966,445	162,008	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008

* From June, 1907, the returns of fourteen banks are shown, the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris being included.

No. 28.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1896 ... ..	...	...	...	116,962,784	1902 ... ..	...	...	...	178,637,708
1897 ... ..	...	...	...	121,645,873	1903 ... ..	...	...	...	180,961,406
1898 ... ..	...	...	...	126,978,018	1904 ... ..	...	...	...	177,797,335
1899 ... ..	...	...	...	146,188,144	1905 ... ..	...	...	...	189,826,381
1900 ... ..	...	...	...	144,080,314	1906 ... ..	...	...	...	220,860,512
1901 ... ..	...	...	...	167,676,707	1907 ... ..	...	...	...	234,169,822
Total, 1st January to 3rd August, 1908				...	...	...	...	...	£130,954,990
" " " 5th August, 1907				...	...	...	...	...	£134,413,324

No. 29.—Savings Banks.

Year. (31st December.)	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,825	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 4
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 6
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 14 5
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 0 5
1906	392,050	15,320,532	1,822,280	39 1 7	10 0 2
1907	421,923	17,530,157	2,209,625	41 10 11	11 3 2

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 30.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1898	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4 ³ / ₄	23,233,206
1899	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3 ¹ / ₄	24,726,067
1900	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1 ¹ / ₄	26,486,873
1901	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10 ³ / ₄	29,261,324
1902	3,026	40,505,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4 ³ / ₄	30,885,214
1903	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9 ³ / ₄	32,384,138
1904	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3 ¹ / ₄	33,792,689
1905	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10 ³ / ₄	35,158,150
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,919,068	3 5	41,413,084
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1 ¹ / ₂	47,487,030
* June, 1908	3,473	45,683,484	470,685	3,639,538	2 7¹/₄	12,354,091
* „ 1907	3,453	44,700,230	477,712	3,297,082	2 10³/₄	10,811,980

* Quarter ended 30th June.

No. 31.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1896	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418	2,796,776
1897	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778	2,728,360
1898	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242	2,866,570
1899	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663	3,112,063
1900	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065	3,219,907
1901	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272	3,449,315
1902	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356	3,627,369
1903	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395	3,638,591
1904	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906	2,288	113,226,280	14,457,564	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506

No. 32.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops. *
			acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1898	...	...	993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	...	...	1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	...	...	1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,602	2,439,639
1901	...	...	1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,504
1902	...	...	1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	...	...	1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	...	...	1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	...	...	1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	2,672,973
1906	...	...	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081
1907	...	...	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,072	4,951	2,824,211
1908	...	...	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	541,761	4,693	2,570,137

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 33.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
			bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1898	...	...	10,560,111	6,713,060	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	...	...	9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	...	...	13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	...	...	16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	...	...	14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	...	...	1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	...	...	27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	...	...	16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	...	...	20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,950
1907	...	...	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,554	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	7,517,550
1908	...	...	9,155,884	4,528,540	851,776	277,390	367,800	778,500	6,586,680

* Not yet available. † Estimated.

No. 34.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
			bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1898	...	...	10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	...	...	7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	...	...	9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	...	...	10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	...	...	10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	...	...	1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	...	...	17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	...	...	9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
1906	...	...	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1
1907	...	...	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'3	1'4	230	2 13 3
Mean for 10 years			10'1	27'8	19'7	20'3	1'0	185	2 11 7
1908	...	...	6'6	28'1	11'2	28'0	0'7	166	2 11 3

No. 35.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1897	498,034	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506	256,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
1906	537,762	713,049	1,839,895	44,132,421	243,370
1907	578,325	753,016	1,993,068	44,531,839	216,145

*NOTE.—Up to 1902 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The figures for the last three years are made up as follows:—

Year.	Milk Cows.	Cows at present dry.	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
1905	442,950	154,655	46,559	644,164
1906	491,820	172,888	45,341	713,049
1907	505,365	203,928	43,723	753,016

No. 36.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,975,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,864,771
1904	250,941,000	353,082	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	495,157	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,911	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	367,446,000	490,549	60,030,347	4,667,217	10,368,036

No. 37.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver, Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year	1,000	1,000	1,000
1906 " " " " " "	1,277	1,316	1,432
1907 " " " " " "	1,343	1,354	1,461
July, 1902	1,031	1,071	960
" 1903	1,072	1,152	976
" 1904	1,050	1,115	1,023
" 1905	1,150	1,205	1,140
" 1906	1,270	1,347	1,323
" 1907	1,400	1,378	1,573
December, 1907	1,207	1,246	1,085
January, 1908	1,222	1,240	1,087
March, " " " " " "	1,179	1,153	1,083
April, " " " " " "	1,180	1,160	1,092
May, " " " " " "	1,147	1,077	1,042
June " " " " " "	1,136	1,069	1,024
July, 1908	1,130	1,072	1,012

No. 38.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
July, 1907 ...	35 3	8 16 0	97	93	12½	1 10	34 0
August, " ...	35 0	9 2 0	100	95	12½	1 10	35 0
September, " ...	40 0	9 13 0	98	96	12½	1 10	35 0
October, " ...	42 9	10 7 0	119	112	12½	1 10	34 3
November, " ...	44 0	10 12 0	119	112	13	1 11	34 0
December, " ...	45 0	10 11 6	120	114	13	1 11	33 3
January, 1908 ...	43 6	10 13 0	122	115	13½	1 9½	33 0
February, " ...	38 9	10 5 0	136	126	12½	1 8½	32 6
March, " ...	37 9	9 18 9	117	109	12	1 7½	32 0
April, " ...	38 6	9 10 0	111	105	12	1 7½	32 3
May, " ...	39 6	9 9 0	110	103	9½	1 5	32 3
June, " ...	39 0	9 7 6	106	97	9½	1 5	32 0
July, " ...	37 6	9 3 0	109	104	9½	1 5	32 0

No. 39.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.				Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.
				per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
July, 1907 ...	...	...	...	3 11¼	9 0 0	10½	10¼	2 10	2 9½
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11	8 19 0	9½	10¼	2 10	2 9
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 2½	9 10 6	11½	11½	2 9½	3 1½
October, " ...	...	...	...	5 1½	10 12 6	16½	16½	3 4	4 4½
November, " ...	...	...	...	4 11½	11 7 6	15	15	3 5½	4 6¼
December, " ...	...	...	...	4 5	10 2 6	14½	15	3 3	4 10¼
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	4 6	10 9 6	15¾	15¾	3 2½	5 0
February, " ...	...	...	...	4 4	9 16 0	14	15½	3 2½	4 8
March, " ...	...	...	...	4 5½	9 16 3	14½	17	3 2	4 7½
April, " ...	...	...	...	4 5½	9 16 9	17	18	3 2½	4 9
May, " ...	...	...	...	4 7½	9 18 0	18¼	18¼	3 6½	4 10
June, " ...	...	...	...	4 3¾	9 18 0	16½	16¾	3 8½	4 4
July, " ...	...	...	...	4 2	9 5 0	14½	14½	3 7½	4 6½
				Hay (Oaten).	Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.
				per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.
July, 1907 ...	...	...	...	4 3 3	11¼	7¼	7½	5¼	16
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11 9	11¼	7½	8¼	5¾	8¼
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 11 8	11¼	7¾	9	5¾	8
October, " ...	...	...	...	6 1 9	11¼	8½	9¾	5¾	8½
November, " ...	...	...	...	6 10 0	11¾	8¼	9¾	5¾	9½
December, " ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10¾	6¼	9¼	6½	9¼
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10¾	7¼	9¼	7	10
February, " ...	...	...	...	5 9 6	12¼	7½	9½	7	13¼
March, " ...	...	...	...	5 16 0	10¾	7¼	9½	7	15¼
April, " ...	...	...	...	6 0 0	10¾	8	9¼	7	17
May, " ...	...	...	...	6 0 0	12¾	8¼	8½	7¼	18¾
June, " ...	...	...	...	7 0 0	13¼	8½	7½	7½	18
July, " ...	...	...	...	7 10 0	14½	8½	7¼	8	16½

No. 40.—Gold produced, January to July, and Minerals exported, January to June.

Gold yield during the first seven months of the years 1908 and 1907.

				1908.		1907.	
				Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
				oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to June	...	...	...	112,064	476,015	138,489	588,264
July	...	...	...	25,374	107,783	22,200	94,301
Total for seven months	...	...	...	137,438	583,798	160,689	682,565

Exports of Minerals during the half-year, 1908 and 1907.

Exports.	Half-year, 1908.		Half-year, 1907.		Second quarter, 1908.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£		£
Silver ingots and matte ... oz.	1,211,865	126,842	167,330	21,763	648,042	66,436
Silver-lead, concentrates, &c.... tons	196,929	1,066,198	202,591	1,665,752	98,694	476,551
Lead, in matte... .. "	4,582	54,768	... †	... †	4,582	54,768
Copper ingots, and ore* ... "	5,569	306,414	5,979	536,586	2,911	161,439
Tin ingots and ore* ... "	1,390	170,486	1,506	264,934	843	102,350
Coal—						
To Australasian Ports ... "	1,401,786	618,576	1,154,577	476,899	701,419	310,969
„ other Ports ... "	1,881,161	1,007,410	1,521,095	749,092	901,134	488,552
Total Export of Coal	3,282,947	1,625,986	2,675,672	1,225,991	1,602,553	799,521
Grand Total	£	3,350,694	.....	3,715,026	.....	1,661,065

* The exports of tin and copper include metal refined from ores imported from other States and treated here. The quantity and value of the copper and tin ore imported during the first six months of the years 1907 and 1908 are as follow :—

Half year, 1908.		Half year, 1907.	
Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
tons.	£	tons.	£
Copper	1,208	18,637	3,436
Tin	891	65,236	834

The silver and coal exports represent the product of the mines of this State.

† Previously included under heading Silver-lead.

No. 41.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1906 and 1907.

Minerals.	1906.		1907.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Metallic—						
Gold oz. fine	253,987	1,078,866	247,363	1,050,730	.....	28,136
Silver "	284,994	36,431	2,043,887	257,314	220,883	.....
Silver—lead and ore ... ton	371,939	2,826,542	434,079	3,658,632	832,090	.....
Lead—pig, &c.... .. "	59	1,084	19,768	374,182	373,098	.....
Zinc spelter & concentrates ..	103,666	292,806	237,219	536,620	243,814	.....
Tin ingots and ore "	1,671	255,744	1,914	293,305	37,561	.....
Copper ingots and ore... .. "	9,755	789,527	10,098	727,774	.....	61,753
Antimony and ore "	2,451	52,645	1,752	46,278	.....	6,367
Bismuth "	25	5,700	16	5,268	.....	432
Wolfram "	132	9,957	207	26,235	17,178	.....
Scheelite "	109	7,647	196	23,781	16,134	.....
Molybdenite "	33	4,798	22	3,564	.....	1,234
Platinum oz.	205	623	276	1,014	391	.....
Iron ton	.....	.....	18,631	60,550	60,550	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	7,626,362	2,337,227	8,657,924	2,922,419	585,192	.....
Coke "	186,060	110,607	254,609	159,316	48,709	.....
Kerosene shale... .. "	32,446	28,470	47,331	32,055	3,585	.....
Alunite "	1,856	4,637	2,088	5,115	478	.....
Limestone flux... .. "	12,788	7,463	41,667	16,162	8,699	.....
Ironstone flux "	935	723	10,659	7,707	6,984	.....
Marble ... .. "	.....	1,518	.....	2,200	682	.....
Diamonds carat	2,827	2,120	2,539	2,056	.....	64
Opal ... .. "	.....	56,500	.....	79,000	22,500	.....
Sundry minerals ... .. "	.....	1,981	.....	4,013	2,032	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	7,912,716	.....	10,295,290	2,480,560	97,986
Net increase						£2,382,574.

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £112,848 in 1906 and £118,082 in 1907, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £144,060 and £164,006, respectively, in 1906 and 1907. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 42.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,041	4,616,145
1898 ...	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,756,414
1899 ...	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	5,959,928
1900 ...	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901 ...	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,680,739
1902 ...	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,321
1903 ...	1,080,029	1,501,403	462,640	150,208	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904 ...	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905 ...	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906 ...	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716
1907 ...	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290

No. 43.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1897 ...	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	Not available.	
1898 ...	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	„	
1899 ...	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	„	
1900 ...	3,077	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1901 ...	3,367	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902 ...	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1903 ...	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904 ...	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905 ...	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150
*1906 ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
*1907 ...	4,337	66,667	20,527	87,194	†	6,679,418	†

* See also Table 44. † Not yet available.

No. 44.—Manufacturing Industries.

1907.

Class of Industry.	Number of Establishments.	Hands Employed.				Wages Paid.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Total, 1906.	
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	283	3,734	24	3,758	3,209	£ 244,413
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	41	544	109	653	681	46,730
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	256	3,715	84	3,799	3,877	328,465
Working in Wood ...	521	6,168	21	6,189	5,205	490,613
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	429	18,077	58	18,135	15,339	1,877,462
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	750	9,670	2,577	12,247	11,607	908,389
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	881	6,971	14,904	21,875	19,650	1,048,603
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	364	5,942	1,748	7,690	6,961	642,267
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	12	346	37	383	338	35,763
Arms and Explosives ...	2	10	2	12	17	883
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	343	3,399	63	3,462	2,667	246,336
Ship and Boat Building ...	36	1,701	1	1,702	1,595	196,518
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	142	2,304	167	2,471	2,317	190,161
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	52	742	379	1,121	1,012	82,952
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	9	68	18	86	86	6,387
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	47	568	60	628	457	48,723
Heat, Light, and Power ...	155	1,940	62	2,002	1,883	227,357
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	15	244	31	275	240	16,969
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	49	524	182	706	681	40,427
Total ...	4,387	66,667	20,527	87,194	77,822	6,679,418

1906.

	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	245,696	3,288,006	20,314	†3,855,204	546,884
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	158,157	420,149	7,483	621,016	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	426,543	144,007	77,354	722,627	501,266
Working in Wood ...	365,780	1,105,105	10,705	1,806,846	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	1,511,896	4,195,818	229,602	7,631,910	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,537,270	9,258,104	112,545	11,955,522	2,584,873
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	286,040	1,890,906	12,775	3,414,603	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	671,321	476,461	13,623	1,396,774	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	4,815	43,295	237	102,875	59,343
Arms and Explosives ...	270	2,475	21	4,521	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	43,790	228,019	4,974	536,426	303,433
Ship and Boat Building ...	161,269	80,748	4,836	284,178	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	32,336	264,927	1,804	531,168	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	107,276	259,701	5,856	487,610	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	2,570	8,973	239	22,924	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	12,192	41,847	522	99,838	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power ...	1,705,857	232,351	105,829	1,062,466	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	6,085	69,475	340	97,981	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	16,174	92,318	939	162,580	69,323
Total ...	£ 8,295,337	22,102,685	609,998	34,796,169	12,083,486*

* If £222,824, the value added to articles already included in primary industries be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £11,860,662.

† Including value of wool treated.

No. 45.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1906.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	547,636	449,521	457,067	546,884
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	162,491	179,690	177,877	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	422,272	445,774	399,459	462,447	501,266
Working in Wood	649,149	647,463	609,255	645,027	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	2,382,185	2,485,649	2,781,996	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,231,942	1,919,746	2,053,276	2,138,487	2,362,049
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	1,150,871	1,219,217	1,289,527	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	950,771	802,860	851,780	847,996	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	29,511	39,708	54,799	59,343
Arms and Explosives	1,480	3,065	1,924	1,541	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	198,391	239,727	257,251	303,433
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	207,932	205,392	179,380	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	220,434	209,395	199,025	228,903	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	74,006	108,299	148,785	199,100	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	17,304	9,145	10,700	10,925	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	24,698	31,043	41,048	48,705	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	681,190	707,356	739,397	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,213	16,303	20,955	24,229	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	46,490	46,646	53,799	69,323
Total	9,736,171	9,599,790	9,900,113	10,598,453	11,860,662

Note.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 46.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891–1907.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891 ...	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1894 ...	11,168	3,439	4,947	2,548	*	690	22,792	6,880	29,672
1895 ...	11,774	4,101	4,499	2,546	*	715	23,635	7,006	30,641
1896 ...	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897 ...	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898 ...	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899 ...	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900 ...	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901 ...	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,736	38,808
1902 ...	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903 ...	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,600	40,749
1904 ...	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,900	39,382
1905 ...	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,598	46,692
1906 ...	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,861	53,689
1907† ...	22,750	6,587	10,295	3,400	1,845	1,500	46,377	12,500	58,877

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

† The 1907 figures are preliminary only and will be amended later.

No. 47.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round, allowance being made for the exigencies of the various trades, such as bad weather, idleness through scarcity of employment, &c. Except where specially mentioned, the ordinary working week consists of 48 hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

Bakers (bread)—

Board hands, 52/6 to 60/- per week; machine hands, 15/- to 42/- per week.

Blacksmiths, 52/- per day; average 50/- per week.

Boilermakers—

1/3 per hour, new work } approximate average
1/4 " old work } per week, 35/-

Bookbinders, 52/- per week; average 45/-

Bootmakers—

Male, 48/- per week; average 38/-

Female, 15/- " ; " 12/6

Brass-finishers, 1/- per hour; average 42/-

Brassmoulders, 1/3 " " 50/-

Bread-carters (54 hours per week), min. 45/-

Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, 40/- to 44/-

Bricklayers, 1/4½ per hour; average 45/-

Brick-carters, 1 horse, 40/- per week; 2 horses, 45/- per week; 2/6 per week extra for each additional horse.

Brickmakers—Time rate, 10½d. to 11½d. per hour; piecework, average 57/6 per week.

Brushmakers, 1/3 per hour, or 52/6 per week.

Butchers (country), with board, 25/- to 30/-

" (city), without board, 35/- to 45/-

Carpenters and Joiners, 1/3 per hour; average 45/-

Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")

Cabinetmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Chairmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Cigarmakers, male and female; average 45/- per week.

Coach-painters, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Coachsmiths, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 50/-

Compositors—Piecework, 1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.

" Jobbing, 56/- per week.

" Linotype (newspapers), 3½d. per 1,000 ens (flat rate). Time rate, day, 1/7; night, 1/10 per hour.

Coopers (piecework), avg. 50/- to 55/- per week.

Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour; avg. 50/- per week.

Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Electricians—

Fitters, 9/- to 10/6 per day.

Armature Winders and Wiremen, 9/- per day.

Engine-drivers (stationary), 8/- to 11/- "

Firemen " 8/- to 9/- "

Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average 50/-

Farriers—Firemen, 57/6 per week.

" Floormen, 47/6 "

French-polishers, min. 48/-; average 51/-

Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/1½ per hour; avg. 50/-

Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Hairdressers (59 hours per week), 45/- per week.

Hatters (felt), piecework 65/- to 70/- per week.

Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Ironmoulders and Turners, 1/3 per hour; av. 45/-
Labourers—Skilled 8/-; unskilled, 7/- per day; average 40/-

Letter-press Machinists, min. 50/- to 56/- per week; average 45/-

Lithographers, min. 60/- per week.

Malt-house Hands, 40/- per week.

Marble-workers, 7/6 to 10/- per day.

Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/4½ per hour; avg. 40/-

Navvies, 7/- to 8/- per day; average 40/-

Painters (44 hours per week, and 48 when required), 1/- to 1/3 per hour; average 45/-

Paperhangers, 1/3 per hour; average 45/-

Pattern-makers, 10/8 to 12/- per day.

Plasterers, 1/3 per hour; average 45/- per week.

Plumbers, 1/4½ " " 50/- "

Saddlers (piecework), average 50/- "

Saw-mill Employees per hour, Machinists, 1s. 3d.;

Saw Sharpeners, 1s. 2½d.; Sawyers, 1s. 0½d.;

Engine-drivers, 1s.

Shipwrights (adults), 11/- to 12/- per day.

Shop Assistants (adults)—

Males, 35/- to 45/-

Females, 17/6 to 25/- per week.

Slaters and Tilers, 1/3 to 1/4½ per hour.

Tailors, Coat hands, 35/- to 45/- per week.

" Trousers hands, 20/- to 30/- per week.

" Pressers, 55/- per week, or log rates.

Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 27/6 "

" (trousers hands), order, 22/6 to 26/- per week.

" (vest hands), order, 20/- to 25/- per week.

" (factory), order, 10/- to 20/- per week.

Tinsmiths, 1/1½ and 1/3 per hour; average, 50/- per week.

Tobacco-workers, men, 50/-; women, 25/- per week.

Trolly and Draymen— Heavy. Light.

1 horse ... 41/- 42/6

2 horses ... 40/6 47/6

3/- per week for each extra horse. Working week not to exceed 60 hours.

Timber-carters, 1 horse, 42/-; 2 horses, 47/-; and 3/- per week for each extra horse.

Tip-carters, 1 horse, 40/-; 2 horses, 45/-

Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.

Upholsterers, min. 52/-; average 57/6 per week.

Wharf Labourers—

Deep sea, 1/3 per hour; 1/9 overtime.

Interstate and Coastal, 1/1½ per hour; 1/8 overtime.

Wheelwrights, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Woolwashers, 6/- to 7/- per day; average 40/-

Ferry Employees.

Engine-drivers, £15 to £16/10/- per month.

Firemen, £9/10/- to £11/5/- per month.

Deck-hands (adults), 36/- to 40/- per week (60 hours per week).

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers.

Officers, chief, £15 to £19; 2nd, £12 to £14; 3rd, £10 to £11; 4th, £8.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Engineers, chief, £20 to £27/10/-; 2nd, £16 to £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.

Able Seamen, £7.

" " (sailing ships), average £5.

No. 47.—Current Rates of Wages—continued.

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Officers, Chief, £10 to £15; 2nd, £10 to £12.
Firemen, £9 and £10 (if 6-hour watches).

Donkeymen, £10 to £11.
Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7.

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 17/6 to 20/-
Bullock Drivers, 20/- to 25/-
Country Blacksmiths—
Station, 30/-
General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-
Dairy Hands, 17/6 to 22/6
Farm Labourers, 20/-
Harvest Hands, 35/-
Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-

Married Couples (without family)—
Farm, £70 to £80.
Station, £75 to £85.
Rouseabouts and Shed Hands, 15/- to 20/-
Orchard Hands, 14/- to 20/-
Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
Stockmen, £45 to £52.
Useful Boys, 7/6 to 12/6 (age 15 to 18).
Vignerons, 15/- to 20/-

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—
Hotel, 20/- to 30/-
Station, 20/- to 25/-
Private house, 15/- to 20/-
Boarding-house, 20/- to 30/-
Cook and Laundress, 15/- to 20/-
House and Parlour Maid, 13/- to 15/-
Laundresses, 17/6 to 20/-

General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards),
10/- to 20/-
Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 6/- to 10/-
Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 6/- to 10/-
Waitresses (board only), 15/- to 18/-
Gardeners, 20/- to 30/-
Grooms and Coachmen, 17/6 to 25/-

No. 48.—Meteorology.

District.	July, 1908.					July— (Mean 1898-1907).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton	56·6	69·0	44·2	0·45	3	54·4	2·72	5	68·3	38·77
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton	47·9	57·4	38·4	1·33	6	49·1	2·50	6	64·3	29·65
Cumberland—										
Sydney	51·3	58·2	44·4	11·59	17	52·1	5·14	12	63·0	48·34
South Coast—										
Bega	46·1	57·7	34·5	0·59	5	45·7	3·18	5	59·8	31·74
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	42·0	52·5	31·4	0·99	8	41·9	2·06	9	56·4	31·78
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst	41·1	51·5	30·6	1·18	8	42·8	1·98	10	57·2	23·89
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	41·0	49·2	3	1·05	8	41·2	2·26	12	56·4	25·63
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	48·5	62·8	34·1	1·02	5	48·0	1·36	5	66·2	24·76
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	47·1	60·0	34·1	0·78	9	47·8	1·56	8	63·6	22·36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	45·9	54·9	36·8	1·81	9	46·4	1·98	10	61·6	21·73
North-western Plain—										
Moree	51·5	67·1	35·9	0·30	3	50·4	1·25	5	68·7	23·23
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	50·2	62·7	37·5	0·53	3	50·1	1·08	4	65·8	19·96
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	46·3	54·2	39·3	0·51	8	48·1	1·40	9	61·9	16·46

No. 49.—Crown Lands Selections, 1908.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected; and (second), the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of July, 1908, and during the period from 1st January to 31st July, 1908 :—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During July, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st July, 1908.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional Purchase Leases	35	12,752	155	100,388
Original Conditional Purchases	136	22,423	1,044	150,875
*Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(71)	29,280	(574)	248,980
Original Homestead Selections	24	3,503	200	35,486
Original Settlement Leases	6	15,599	50	205,715
Settlement Purchases ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total of New Settlers	201	83,557	1,451	742,654
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases	83	10,494	598	84,665
Additional Conditional Leases	135	45,782	920	277,985
Additional Homestead Selections	3	2,295	53	21,582
Additional Settlement Leases... ..	3	7,338	21	24,160
Total	224	65,909	1,592	408,392

* A Conditional Lease may be of any area not exceeding three times that of the associated Conditional Purchase, and is usually taken up at the same time as the Conditional Purchase. It is not, however, treated as an additional holding.

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During July, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st July, 1908.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
For Conditional Purchase Lease	22	8,928	131	105,035
Original Conditional Purchase	2	88	99	5,185
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof	75	84,018	297	277,856
Original Homestead Selection	25	66,397	152	86,655
Original Settlement Lease	9	2,104	31	95,979
Settlement Purchase ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total	133	161,535	712	571,920
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of Additional Holdings	79	55,229	505	379,512
Additional Conditional Purchase	3	194	17	2,741
Additional Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease ... ..	.....	.....	14	2,028
Additional Homestead Selection... ..	1	450	5	665
Additional Settlement Lease	1	400	6	3,078
Additional Conditional Purchase, Conditional Lease, or Additional Homestead Selection ... ..	.....	.....	6	2,058
Total	84	56,273	553	390,082

STATISTICAL COMPARISON for the Years ended 31st December, 1897, 1906, and 1907.

									Increase, 1897-1907. (10 years.)		Increase, 1906-1907. (1 year.)				
									Numerical.	Relative per cent.	Numerical.	Relative per cent.			
									1897.	1906.	1907.				
AREA—310,372 Square Miles.															
POPULATION									1,301,780	1 530,984	1,573,224	271,444	20·9	42,240	2·8
AGRICULTURE—															
Area under Crops acres ...									1,821,829	2,824,211	2,570,137	748,308	41·1	(-) 254,074	(-) 9·0
Area under Grasses (Sown and Native) acres ...									27,627,139	52,338,748	54,557,701	26 930 562	97 4	2,218,953	4·2
Wheat acres ...									993,350	1,866,253	1,390,171	396,821	39·9	(-) 476,082	(-) 25·5
Wheat bushels ...									10,560,111	21,817,938	9,155,884	(-) 1,404,227	(-) 13·3	(-) 12,662,054	(-) 58·0
LIVE STOCK—															
Sheep No.									43,952,897	44,132,421	44,531,839	578,942	1·3	399,418	0·9
Cattle ”									2,082,696	2,549,944	2,746,084	663,388	31·9	196,140	7·7
Horses ”									498,034	537,762	578,325	80,291	16·1	40,563	7·5
Pigs ”									207,738	243,370	216,115	8,407	4·0	(-) 27,225	(-) 11·2
PRODUCTION—															
Wool lb.									303,315,000	325,441,000	367,446,000	64,131,000	21·1	42,005,000	12·9
Butter lb.									29,409,966	58,941,137	60,030,347	30,620,381	104·1	1,089,210	1·8
MINING—Total Production £									4,616,145	7,912,716	10,295,290	5,679,145	122·0	2,382,574	30·1
Gold oz. fine ..									259,978	253,987	247,363	(-) 12,615	(-) 4·9	(-) 6,624	(-) 2·6
Gold £									1,104,315	1,078,866	1,050,730	(-) 53,585	(-) 4·9	(-) 28,136	(-) 2·6
Silver oz. fine ..									150,005	284,994	2,043,887	1,893,882	1,262·5	1,758,893	617·8
Silver £									16,711	36,431	257,314	240,603	1,439·7	220,883	606·3
Silver-lead and Ore tons ...									289,018	371,939	434,079	145,061	50·2	62,140	16·7
Silver-lead and Ore £									1,681,528	2,826,542	3,658,632	1,977,104	117·6	832,090	29·4
Zinc Spelter and Concentrates tons ...									28,842	103,666	237,219	208,377	722·5	133,553	128·8
Zinc Spelter and Concentrates £									23,688	292,806	536,620	512,932	2,165·4	243,814	83·3
Tin Ingots and Ore tons ...									801	1,671	1,914	1,113	139·0	243	14·5
Tin Ingots and Ore £									49,900	255,744	293,305	243,405	487 8	37,561	14·7
Copper Ingots and Ore tons ...									6,522	9,755	10,098	3,576	54·8	343	3·5
Copper Ingots and Ore £									283,174	789,527	727,774	444,600	157·0	(-) 61,753	(-) 7·3
Coal tons ...									4,383,591	7,626,362	8,657,924	4,274,333	97·5	1,031,562	13·5
Coal £									1,230,041	2,337,227	2,922,419	1,692,378	136·3	585,192	25·0
MANUFACTORIES—															
Hands employed No.									51,439	77,822	87,194	35,755	69·5	9,372	12·0

TRADE—Total				£	45,495,422	80,303,407	88,231,173	42,735,751	93·9	7,927,766	9·9
Per Head of Population				£	35: 5: 2	53: 0: 6	56: 14: 11	21: 9: 9	60·9	3: 14: 5	7·0
Exports				£	23,751,072	45,638,044	48,774,978	25,023,906	105·4	3,136,934	6·9
Imports				£	21,744,350	34,665,363	39,456,195	17,711,845	81·5	4,790,832	13·8
Exports of New South Wales Produce				£	17,057,543	*32,237,964	*37,724,837	20,667,294	121·2	5,486,873	17·0
Breadstuffs				bushels.	2,639,207	8,655,873	9,417,076	6,777,869	256·8	761,203	8·8
				£	614,518	1,372,596	1,494,437	879,969	143·2	121,891	8·9
Wool				lb.	258,514,280	291,183,294	332,363,433	73,849,153	28·6	41,180,139	14·1
				£	8,023,893	14,186,562	17,241,213	9,217,320	114·9	3,054,651	21·5
Frozen Mutton				lb.	22,080,784	57,433,510	61,998,471	39,917,687	180·8	4,564,961	7·9
				£	246,250	613,806	688,356	442,106	179·5	74,550	12·1
Other Meat				£	248,961	504,141	541,576	292,615	117·5	37,435	7·4
Tallow				cwt.	485,102	378,203	378,856	(-) 106,246	(-) 21·9	653	0·2
				£	400,121	481,770	556,068	155,947	39·0	74,298	15·4
Leather				£	292,220	388,161	355,880	63,660	21·8	(-) 32,281	(-) 8·3
Skins and Hides				£	466,664	1,039,127	1,144,892	678,228	145·3	105,765	10·2
Butter				lb.	6,526,673	24,150,678	20,737,514	14,210,841	217·7	(-) 3,413,164	(-) 14·1
				£	258,725	1,011,536	901,997	643,272	248·6	(-) 109,539	(-) 10·8
Minerals and Ores (<i>ex Gold</i>)				£	3,143,123	6,439,218	7,805,622	4,662,499	148·3	1,366,404	21·2
(See above for "Production" of Minerals.)											
SHIPPING—											
Inwards				vessels	2,563	2,893	3,238	675	26·3	345	11·9
				tonnage	3,258,461	5,283,719	6,070,953	2,812,492	86·3	787,234	14·9
Outwards				vessels	2,652	2,883	3,205	553	20·9	322	11·2
				tonnage	3,358,933	5,275,031	6,009,282	2,650,349	78·9	734,251	13·9
PUBLIC FINANCES—											
Revenue				£	9,304,884	13,392,435	13,960,763	4,655,879	50·0	568,328	4·2
Expenditure				£	9,299,411	11,881,746	12,158,456	2,859,045	30·7	276,710	2·3
RAILWAYS—†											
Capital expended on Lines open				£	37,719,402	44,700,230	45,683,484	7,964,082	21·1	983,254	2·2
Miles open ... ..				...	2,691	3,453	3,473	782	29·1	20	0·6
Net earnings				£	1,412,143	2,209,665	2,229,295	817,152	57·9	19,630	0·9
Passengers carried				No.	23,233,206	41,413,084	47,487,030	24,253,824	104·4	6,073,946	14·7
BANKS OF ISSUE—											
Deposits‡				£	30,029,434	42,097,259	43,616,985	13,587,551	45·2	1,519,726	3·6
Assets‡				£	42,565,098	46,222,008	50,396,975	7,831,877	18·4	4,174,967	9·0
Liabilities‡				£	31,426,349	44,138,178	45,971,186	14,544,837	46·3	1,833,008	4·2
Exchange Settlements (Sydney)				£	121,645,873	220,860,512	234,169,822	112,523,949	92·5	13,309,310	6·0
SAVINGS BANKS—											
Depositors				No.	227,629	392,050	421,928	194,299	85·4	29,878	7·6
Deposits				£	9,136,793	15,320,532	17,530,157	8,393,364	91·9	2,209,625	14·4

* Partly estimated

† Year ended 30th June following.

‡ Particulars at 30th June following.